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# NEW SCH. HARRIET HAS BANNER TRIP

Has Stocked \$6000 or More  
in Past Six Weeks.

High prices still hold sway at T wharf. Receipts are light, trade is big, buyers are hungry for fish and the fishermen are smiling. Nobody is envying them for they earn all they get and certainly this first week in May can be set down as one in which they are reaping a deserved harvest.

Although it is Friday, usually one of the worst sales days in the whole week, the buyers fairly stormed the skippers as they stood in the exchange this morning to sell their fares.

Four of the pollock fleet are there with nice catches and they sold at \$1.50 per hundred weight, and on this money the twinners of the "ministers" can certainly make fast money.

Several of the little boats are in with catches of from 2000 to 7000 pounds each, mostly cod. Sch. Arbitrator of the Provincetown fleet has 36,000 pounds of cod and haddock and 3000 pounds of halibut and sch. Olive F. Hutchins reported with 20,000 pounds of mixed fish, both money-making trips, but the cream for the day will be gathered in by Capt. Ralph Silva of sch. Harriet, with 87,000 pounds mostly cod and haddock and 3000 pounds of halibut. This craft stands to stock over \$2000 easily, and incidentally Capt. Silva, now completing his third trip as master, and in a new craft, has made a record which is making even the headliners in the business sit up and take notice.

Capt. Silva got his new craft the latter part of March and went to the eastward on the maiden trip, coming home with 110,000 pounds of fish, about all cod, stocking \$2175, the crew sharing \$77. On her next trip she brought home nearly 100,000 pounds of fresh fish and stocked \$1899, the crew taking down \$66 to a man. On the present trip, she has been gone but 14 days and on T wharf they say she will surely get over \$2000 for her catch, so her three fares will stock up to \$6000 or better, with a crew share of handy to \$225, which is most classy for fresh fishing in the spring of the year. The Harriet sailed on her maiden trip March 24, so she has done all this big work in six weeks.

Off shore haddock sold for from \$3 to \$4 with a quarter more for shores. Off shore cod brought \$4 for large and \$2.75 for markets, while the shores went right through for \$4.25. Hake were quoted at \$2.

Business men at T wharf find it hard now to get enough fish to supply the demands made upon them, and are wondering whether they will have a repetition of the scarcity of last year when fish came so slowly that prices ran up to \$6 and \$7 a hundred weight for haddock and cod. Last year between May 3 and May 15 there was many an anxious person about the wharf trying to find a way to fill orders, which continued to come in spite of the high price of fish. Today it looks as if there would be the same scarcity to meet this year.

There are some fancy fish to fill out what is lacking in ground fish, but mackerel, which would be bought best, does not come in sufficient quantities, and the dealers are not willing to pay the high prices asked for the fish.

Lobsters should be cheaper today, as a large quantity was received yesterday at Boston from the provinces and more from Maine ports than usual. In all there were over 2000 crates of live lobsters received. Of these, 122 crates came by Yarmouth steamer and 650 crates by the steamer from Halifax.

There were salmon on both steamers, the Yarmouth steamer having 10 boxes and the Halifax steamer two.

The first quantity of butterfish from Newport was received yesterday morning. The fish are unusually large for so early in the season, and sold at a reasonable price. There were three barrels of them.

The receipts and prices in detail

## Boston Arrivals.

are:  
Steamer Jeffery, 15,000 pollock.  
Sch. Arbitrator, 16,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 3000 halibut.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 1200 haddock, 1200 cod.  
Sch. Valentinna, 3200 haddock.  
Sch. Georgianna, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Little Fannie, 23,000 pollock.  
Sch. F. D. Brown, 300 cod.

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Steamer Philomena, 18,000 pollock.  
Steamer Pet, 20,000 pollock.  
Sch. Harriet, 45,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 2000 pollock, 3000 halibut.  
Sch. Motor, 2500 haddock, 4500 cod.  
Sch. Olivia Sears, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 2000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 5000 hake, 3000 cusk.  
Sch. Marion, 2000 cod.  
Off shore haddock, \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; off shore large cod, \$4; off shore market cod, \$2.75; shore haddock, \$4.25; shore cod, \$4.25; hake, \$2; pollock, \$1.50.

## Landed Fresh Fish at Port Clyde, Me.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson and another Boston shacker were at Port Clyde, Me., yesterday with fresh fish fares which they landed at the canning plant.

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# DOGFISH CAUSED BROKEN TRIPS.

Reported in Vast Hordes on  
Eastern Fishing Banks.

Two broken shack trips mark the morning arrivals and dogfish was the cause of it all. Schs. Natalie J. Nelson and Moanam are the crafts, and if you should ask their skipper what they have, they would answer disgustedly, "nothing." The crafts have only about 20,000 or 30,000 pounds each. Capts. Albert Larkin and Hugh Quinlan always do well and are not used to these kind of catches, but in the face of the hordes of dogfish which attacked their trawls, when set to the eastward, they were powerless.

Both captains will now fit their vessels for mackerel seining trips to the Cape Shore.

Yesterday afternoon two of the Georges drifters arrived, sch. Ralph Russell with 35,000 pounds of salt cod and sch. Mary A. Gleason with 40,000 pounds.

Sch. Dictator is in from a Georges halibut trip. Capt. John Olson took her out, as Capt. Fred Thompson, the regular skipper, was laid up. Capt. Olson made good, as the craft has been gone but 18 days and has a fine fare, 24,000 pounds of halibut, 17,000 pounds of fresh fish and 12,000 pounds of salt cod.

Several of the pollockers came in during the night and landed and hustled right out again. They got their fish yesterday right out alongside the whistling buoy and as it is a fine day today the chances are they will be heard from again before night. Steamer Mystery, Capt. Fred Carritt, had 27,000 pounds and the others from 5000 to 10,000 pounds each.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

## Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Dictator, Georges, 24,000 lbs. halibut, 17,000 lbs. fresh cod, 12,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Moanam, LaHave Bank, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, LaHave Bank, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Ralph Russell, Georges, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Mary A. Gleason, Georges, drifting, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Steamer Mystery, shore, 27,000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, shore, 10,000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Mineola shore, 10,000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Reliance, shore, 10,000 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, 5000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Herbert and Emma, shore, 4000 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Josephine DeCosta, via Boston.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, via Boston.  
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, via Boston.

## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. William H. Rider, Georges, drifting.  
Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.  
Sch. Corsair, Georges, drifting.  
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Yankee, shore.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.  
Sch. Gladstone, Boston.  
Sch. Terra Nova, south seining.  
Sch. Manomet, shore.

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Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, Boston.  
Sch. Ethel B. Penney, Boston.  
Sch. Olympia, Georges, drifting.  
Sch. Claudia, halibuting.  
Sch. Colonial, halibuting.  
Sch. Almeida, halibuting.  
Sch. Dictator, Portland.

## Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut 9 1-4 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.  
Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.  
Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.  
Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Outside sales drift Georges salt cod, \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for mediums.  
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.  
Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c. for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round 65 cts.; dressed, 70 cts.

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# VESSELS READY FOR LAUNCHING.

Two New Crafts Will Be Put  
Overboard Next Week.

The new vessel for Orlando Merchant, now almost completed at the yard of John Bishop at Vincent Cove, will probably be launched next Wednesday. The craft measures 139.39 tons gross and is the "last word" of Designer McManus in fishing vessel architecture.

It is no secret that she is expected to be fast, and as she will be commanded by Capt. Charles H. Harty in the mackerel seining fishery, her good qualities will be surely found and developed, as this popular master mariner has no superior when it comes to bringing out the sailing qualities of a fishing vessel to the highest degree. She has been named Stiletto.

The handsome new fishing vessel for the Atlantic Maritime Company, which has been built by Arthur D. Story, at his yard in Essex, will be launched at high water Monday, and quite a company will go to the ship-building town from here and Boston to witness the initial dip and come around to this port in her.

The craft has been named Elsie, and is designed by McManus. She has graceful lines, and while speed has been sought to a considerable extent, much attention has also been paid to its combination with carrying capacity.

The first voyage of the new craft will be dory handling to the eastern banks, under command of Capt. William Forbes, a master mariner of worth and reputation.

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## Dominion Fish Reports.

Yarmouth—Cod and halibut very plenty; alewives and lobsters fair.  
Liverpool—Salmon plenty; cod fair; American sch. Vanessa in for shelter.  
Salmon River—Lobsters and trout fair.  
Isaac's Harbor—Cod and lobsters fair.  
Whitehead—Lobsters fair; cod and haddock scarce.  
Canso—Cod fair; lobsters scarce.  
Queensport—Lobsters fair; cod scarce.  
Port Malcom—Lobsters fair; no herring reported.  
Arichat—Haddock and lobsters fair.  
Hawkesbury—Lobsters fair.  
Magdalen Islands—Herring very plenty; lobsters fair; cod scarce.

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## Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Vanessa was at Liverpool, N. S., Wednesday.  
Sch. Raymah was at Shelburne, N. S., Wednesday.  
Sch. J. W. Bradley of New Bedford, formerly of this port, is here to fit for dory handling.



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## BUT FEW FISH AT T WHARF.

### Little Demand Cause Prices to Take a Drop.

There is very little at T wharf this morning; just five of the little shore boats, two Georges drifters and a pollock seiner. Prices have taken a drop as was expected.

Sch. Alcina, with 33,000 pounds of cod, has the largest fare, the other catches ranging from 2000 to 15,000 pounds.

Haddock sold from \$2.50 to \$3.25 and large cod brought \$4 and pollock, \$1.

The receipts and prices in detail are:  
**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Azorean 600 haddock, 1200 cod, 200 hake, 300 cusk.

Sch. Dixie, 1500 haddock, 1900 cod, 100 pollock.

Sch. Rose Standish, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Viking, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 1000 haddock, 8500 cod.

Sch. A. C. Newhall, 7000 haddock.

Sch. Alcina, 33,000 cod.

Sch. Freedom, 12,000 pollock.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$1.50 to \$3.25; pollock, \$1.

## DOGFISH BOTHER THE NETTERS.

### Small Lots of Mackerel Land- ed at New York.

Sch. Tecumseh, Capt. Frank Nolen, of Boston arrived at Fulton market at 7 o'clock last evening with 200 large mackerel, as a result of four nights' fishing 30 miles east of South Barne-gat.

Capt. Alexander Goyetche of sch. N. A. Rowe of this port arrived at Fulton market yesterday afternoon from 95 miles down the coast and reports the fishing from various causes to be the poorest in his experience. Dogfish attacked his nets and did much damage to his mackerel, making many of them unmarketable. Schools of them appear, as they did three years ago, and the nets cannot fish longer than an hour.

Capt. Goyetche reported the Massasoit, Uncle Sam and Marguerite fishing with him and that they should arrive at market today with fares no larger than his own.

A despatch from the Times correspondent at New York this noon reports the arrival of sch. Lillian, one of the netting fleet, with 500 fresh mackerel.

Capt. Freeman Decker will now fit sch. Morning Star for mackerel seining.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, will now fit for mackerel seining.

Capt. Rufus McKay will fit sch. Indiana for mackerel seining.

Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, Capt. Herbert Thompson, will now fit for mackerel seining.

#### Early Mackerel Catches.

The following table shows the catch of fresh mackerel out south to May 6, for this and the past 12 years:

1910—704 barrels.
1909—145 barrels.
1908—4455 barrels.
1907—6581 barrels.
1906—4561 barrels.
1905—5551 barrels.
1904—8931 barrels.
1903—19,404 barrels.
1902—29,057 barrels.
1901—14,444 barrels.
1900—11,661 barrels.
1899—1824 barrels.
1898—1162 barrels.

#### Mackerel Imports.

The imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date of the catch of 1909, are 33,231 barrels, against 43,875 barrels last year, of the catch of 1908.

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## TWO FISHERMEN WERE RESCUED.

### Astray From French Vessel Three Days and Nights.

Two French fishermen were miraculously rescued by the Lunenburg sch. Nicola from death by starvation and exposure on the Grand Banks. Gustave Germanicus and Leopold Le Graverend, of Granville, France, were three days and three nights in an open boat without food or water and without oars to control their boat. The two men belonged to the square rigged fishing vessel Sans Gene, of Granville, France.

The Sans Gene, a bark of 200 tons, left Granville on March 15 and had been fishing on Banquereau, when the two men, who were dory mates, became parted from their ship in the fog. After being adrift for a day and a night a heavy sea struck their dory and flung Leopold into the water, washing away the oars and food. Leopold was rescued by his companion. They bailed the water from their half-filled dory and did the best they could in their helpless condition. On the third day the fishing schooner saved them.

The men were landed at Canso and were forwarded to the French Consul at Sydney.

#### GLADYS AND NELLIE ASHORE.

Grounded on Handkerchief Shoal While Seeking Bait.

While making Chatham harbor early yesterday to secure bait from the traps, the Boston fisherman Gladys and Nellie ran ashore at what is known as "The Gulch," at the eastern end of Handkerchief Shoal. Captain Kelly and crew of the Monomoy Point life saving station boarded the schooner and remained on her awaiting the owner's instructions. It was very rough around the shoals, and as the schooner is a rocker keel vessel, it was feared that the rocking would do serious injury to her hull.

The Gladys and Nellie is a new vessel, being built at this port only about four months ago, and is of the modern knockabout type. She is commanded by Capt. Frank Watts and is one of the highliners of the market fishing fleet.

#### TWO SCHOONERS LOST.

Were at Magdalen Islands for Salt Herring Cargoes.

The total loss of the fishing schooners Walter M. Young of Boston and the Aleyone, in heavy weather in the gulf of St. Lawrence, was reported in a dispatch received yesterday at Eastport, Me. The crews, consisting of six men on each schooner, are safe, having been taken off by other fishermen.

The vessels were lost at the Magdalen islands the news coming from Amherst Harbor. The vessels with their cargoes were valued at \$2500 each.

The Young was owned by A. J. Brigham of Boston and was bound for Lubec, Me., with a salt herring cargo.

#### Portland Fish Notes.

The fishing schooner Marion E. Turner was discharging a fare of 90,000 pounds of pollock at Commercial wharf, Thursday. But there was more of interest about her coming in than just the number of fish she had. The craft had been fishing to the eastward and Wednesday she left Isle au Haute at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for Portland. There was a good stiff breeze, almost steamboat pace. Portland was reached at 6 o'clock the same afternoon, and it was found that she had averaged better than 10 knots for every hour of the trip.

Capt. Clarence Turner is certainly the high pollock liner out of Portland this season. On his last three trips he has landed over 300,000 pounds of the fish, a record that has not been approached by any other craft.

Fred Griffin of South Portland was lucky Thursday. He turned a trick that has been performed by few fishermen in these parts for with ordinary fishing nets he landed a mess of lobsters. As it happened, he was netting for haddock off the lightship Thursday morning. On hauling in, he noticed besides a good lot of the fish he was after, a quantity of crustaceans. They all proved of legal

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length, and when weighed tipped the scales at 45 pounds. They were 26 by count. Lobsters are bringing good prices these days, and when Mr. Griffin got back to Portland, he realized a pretty neat sum not only for his haddock, but also for his lobsters. Thursday's arrivals: Steamer Carrie and Mildred, 3000 pounds fresh fish, steamer Robert and Edwin, 3000 pounds, sloop Pantouset, 6000 pounds.

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#### Provincetown Notes.

The Fisherman's cold storage started fires under boilers this week to begin taking fish for freezing.

The first pollock of any amount to be taken in traps here this season were caught Tuesday.

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#### Took Halibut to Portland.

Sch. Dictator, which left here yesterday forenoon for Portland, with her fare of halibut, arrived there during the night, and this morning is taking out her fare for 9 cents per pound right through.

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## FOUND POLLOCK PLENTY IN BAY.

### Half a Million Pounds Landed Here Yesterday Afternoon.

A tidal wave of pollock struck this port yesterday afternoon and last evening, and before the 21 crafts had landed and got out again to the fishing grounds, the beam scales at the various wharves had registered a total of over half a million pounds. As this is another fine day, with the promise of good weather Sunday, the chances are that this amount will be doubled before Monday morning.

The fares of the pollockers ranged from 10,000 to 45,000 pounds and every boat which was out, got a haul.

Sch. Harriet came from Boston yesterday afternoon with 20,000 pounds of fresh fish and sch. Margaret came in before night with a small catch, hailing for 7000 pounds of halibut and 10,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Harriet, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Margaret, Quero Bank, 7000 lbs. halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, 30,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Elthier, shore, 35,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Bessie A., shore, 18,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Charles A. Dyer, shore, 25,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Unknown, shore, 25,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Yankee, shore, 20,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Joppaite, shore, 40,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Mystery, shore, 30,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Jeffery, shore, 22,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Mascot, shore, 40,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Philomena, shore, 10,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Nomad, shore, 25,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Little Fannie, shore, 18,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Reliance, shore, 40,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Herbert and Emma, shore, 11,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, shore, 40,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Independence, shore, 24,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer No Name, shore, 19,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Mineola, shore, 45,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Water Witch, shore, 11,000 lbs. pollock.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. American, Boston.

Sch. Lottie Brynes, Boston.

Sch. Thalia, haddocking.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, haddocking.



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Sch. Maud F. Silva, haddock-  
ing.  
Sch. Josephine DeCosta, haddock-  
ing.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, south seining.  
Sch. Pythian, south seining.  
Sch. Paragon, halibuting.  
Sch. Tacoma, halibuting.  
Sch. Monitor, halibuting.  
Sch. Genesta, haddock-  
ing.  
Sch. Louise R. Sylva, haddock-  
ing.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut 91-4 cts. per lb. for  
white and 8 cts. for gray.  
Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; me-  
dium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50;  
mediums, \$3.  
Large salt handline Georges cod,  
\$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.  
Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.;  
medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Outside sales drift Georges salt cod,  
\$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3 for me-  
diums.  
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; me-  
dium, \$2; snappers, \$1.  
Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt had-  
dock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish, West-  
ern cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium  
do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60;  
medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for  
large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c. for  
snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90  
cts.; pollock, round 65 cts.; dressed,  
70 cts.

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## POLLOCKERS HAD TWO POOR DAYS

### Sch. John Hays Hammond Has Big Halibut Trip.

The pollockers did not do much on  
their Saturday afternoon trips, only a  
few getting fish. Sunday it came on  
to blow in the afternoon and sent  
them all scurrying to port, having  
done nothing to speak of. Today the  
fog is holding them in port.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt.  
Christopher Gibbs, came poking in  
through the fog this forenoon, with a  
fine fresh halibut fare from Grand  
Bank, the craft being only 28 days  
gone.

Capt. Gibbs hauls for 35,000 pounds  
of halibut, but unfortunately is in on  
a rather poor market as compared  
with the first of last week, although  
the price is good for this season of the  
year. Capt. Gibbs is keeping up the  
rapid gait which he struck early in  
January and which is keeping him in  
the van of the halibut fleet.

Sch. Eugenia from a Georges drift-  
ing trip brings 37,000 pounds of salt  
cod and sch. Rebecca Bartlett, Capt.  
William Blinn, has 140,000 pounds of  
salt cod and pollock from Matinicus,  
Me., for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries  
Company.

The arrivals and receipts in detail  
are:

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Grand  
Bank, 35,000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Eugenia, Georges, drifting, 37-  
000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, Matinicus,  
Me., 120,000 lbs. salt pollock, 20,000 lbs.  
salt cod.  
Sch. Reliance, shore, 18,000 lbs. pol-  
lock.  
Steamer Philomena, shore, 3600 lbs.  
pollock.  
Sch. Little Fannie, shore, 3400 lbs.  
pollock.  
Sch. Freedom, shore, 5200 lbs. pol-  
lock.  
Steamer Bessie A., shore, 6000 lbs.  
pollock.  
Steamer Water Witch, shore, 4000  
lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Independence, shore, 1000  
lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Bessie A., shore, 3000 lbs.  
pollock.  
Steamer Bryda F., shore, 17,000 lbs.  
pollock.  
Sch. Dictator, via Portland.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.  
Sch. Alcina, via Boston.  
Sch. Rose Standish, via Boston.  
Sch. Cecil H. Low, Georges, hand-  
lining, 18,000 lbs. salt cod, 2000 lbs.  
halibut.  
Sch. Patriot, Georges, drifting.

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## FROM THE DORY HANDLINE FLEET.

### Vessels Reported to Be Doing Poorly on the Banks.

Word has been received from the  
dory handline fleet and it is not of an  
encouraging nature, indeed it is just  
the opposite and the sum-up of it all  
is that the fleet has done practically  
nothing up to last week.

The news comes from Capt. Thomas  
Derham of sch. Athlete, of this port,  
which was in at Canso, N. S., a few  
days ago. Capt. Benham writes that  
he had seen about all of the vessels  
of the dory handline fleet and that the  
season thus far had been a failure,  
the crafts having taken very few fish.  
He said sch. Maxine Elliott, Capt. Pat-  
rick Shea, had the most of any of  
them and that what she had was not  
worth mentioning.

There had been little or nothing do-  
ing around Sable Island or in Quero  
bank, and that some of the fleet were  
reported to have gone to the Grand  
Bank in hopes of striking fish there.  
On top of this some of the French  
fleet had come from Grand bank and  
reported finding no fish there.

Capt. Benham says that he had not  
seen sch. J. J. Flaherty and a few  
others, but had spoken about all the  
fleet. The Flaherty was spoken re-  
cently by one of the fresh halibuters  
and Capt. LeBlanc said he was "pick-  
ing up a few fish."

As a general thing the handline  
fleet does not figure on doing much  
until May, or until squid strikes, al-  
though the fleet as a whole got away  
unusually early this season, hoping  
probably to get in some fishing on  
"slickers" on the shoal water spots.  
It has not materialized.

#### Portland Fish Notes.

And now it is the dogfish again.  
They have come north to worry the  
lives out of the fishermen and the men  
who make their livelihood on the deep  
and briny are in for a bad summer.  
Capt. Clifford Coffin of the sch.  
Carrie C. brought the baleful news  
into port Friday. He had just come  
from the Georges banks and he said  
the dogfish were something terrible  
down that way. It is simply impos-  
sible to set trawls for as soon as a  
fish takes a hook, the voracious  
pirates of the deep get there before  
the fishermen and eat him. It makes  
no difference whether it be a ground  
fish or a halibut, the dogfish are just  
as bad and strip the lines clean. And  
as for using nets; it is simply out of  
the question for a school of dogfish  
will raise havoc with both nets and the  
fish netted in no time.

It is early for the dogfish for they  
do not usually get around until June.  
They have not been reported off the  
Cape Elizabeth shore as yet but news  
of their coming is daily expected.  
There is absolutely nothing to be done  
with the marauders except try to get  
the fish out of the water before the  
hooks are stripped.

Capt. Coffin, owing to the prevalence  
of the dogfish, was unable to get as  
large a fare as usual. He had 4000  
pounds of halibut and 18,000 pounds  
of salt fish. The former were sold at  
J. W. Trefethen.

Friday's arrivals: sch. Carrie C.  
Georges Banks, with 4000 lbs. halibut  
and 23,000 lbs. salt cod (and will sail  
for Gloucester with salt fare.)

Sch. Island Gem, with 2000 lbs. fish;  
Emilie Belle.

Sloops Alice G., with 2500 lbs. fish;  
Nellie G. York, 6000.

Steamers Carrie and Mildred, with  
3000 lbs. fish; Robert and Edwin, 3000.

#### Dominion Fish Reports.

Liverpool—Cod and salmon fair;  
haddock and lobsters scarce.

Salmon River—Lobsters and trout  
fair.

Canso—Lobsters fair, cod scarce,  
herring reported struck in off Port  
Hood.

Mulgrave—Herring reported struck  
in at Blue Rock and Bayfield, bankers  
from Cape North report fish scarce.

Arichat—Herring and lobsters fair.

Petit-de-Grat—Lobsters fair.

Mabou—Herring and lobsters fair,  
cod scarce.

Port Hood—Cod, herring and lob-  
sters fair.

Georgetown—Lobsters fair, cod and  
herring scarce.

May 9.

## TRAWLER SPRAY HAS BIG TRIP.

### Brings 114,000 Pounds Fresh Fish to T Wharf.

The steam trawler Spray, with the  
big catch of 114,000 pounds of fresh  
fish, about all haddock, the latter sell-  
ing for \$3, on which she stands to make  
one of the largest stocks ever made in  
the annals of the haddock fishery is the  
feature of the fish doings at T wharf  
this morning.

With one exception, sch. Josie and  
Phebe, with 70,000 pounds of cod and  
haddock, the other 27 fares are market  
boats and the fares generally are  
small.

Sch. George H. Lubee with 49,000,  
pounds, mostly hake and cusk, has the  
largest fare of the market boats.  
Other good fares are schs. Mary E.  
Cooney 20,000 pounds, Yankee 25,000  
pounds, Mary T. Fallon 24,000 pounds,  
Mary C. Santos 20,000 pounds, Philip  
P. Manta 20,000 pounds and Matchless  
20,000 pounds.

Prices are gratifying, extra good for  
this time of the year and shows that  
people are eating fish more generally  
than ever before. Offshore haddock  
brought from \$2.60 to \$3 and shore  
haddock from \$3 to \$3.70. Large cod  
are \$4 to \$5, hake \$1.75 to \$4 and pol-  
lock \$1.50.

The receipts and prices in detail  
are:

#### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Yankee, 20,000 haddock, 4000  
cod, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 18,000 haddock,  
2500 cod.

Sch. Nokomis, 2500 haddock, 2500  
cod, 4000 hake, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 5000 haddock,  
200 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 9000 haddock,  
4000 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Hortense, 8000 haddock, 4000  
cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Edith Silveria, 6000 haddock,  
1000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 2500 haddock,  
2000 cod, 15,000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Valentina, 4000 haddock, 3000  
cod.

Sch. Metacommet, 6000 haddock, 2000  
cod, 4000 hake.

Steam trawler Spray, 110,000 had-  
dock, 1500 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Metamora.

Sch. Harmony, 8000 haddock, 5000  
cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Eva Avina, 1000 cod.

Sch. Mina Swim, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 18,000 haddock,  
1500 cod.

Sch. A. C. Newhall, 1000 haddock,  
500 cod.

Sch. George H. Lubee, 1500 haddock,  
2500 cod, 35,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2500 cod.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 1500 had-  
dock, 3000 cod, 5000 hake, 7000 cusk.

Sch. Josie and Phebe, 20,000 haddock,  
40,000 cod, 10,000 cusk, 3000 halibut.

Sch. Mattakesett, 6000 haddock,  
800 cod.

Sch. Philip P. Manta, 18,000 haddock,  
2000 cod.

Sch. Alice, 4000 haddock, 7000 cod,  
4000 hake, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 8000 haddock,  
1000 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 5000 haddock,  
4000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Matchless, 18,000 haddock, 1800  
cod, 400 pollock.

Sch. Thistle, 1200 haddock.

Shore haddock, \$3 to \$3.70 per cwt.;  
offshore haddock, \$2.60 to \$3; large cod,  
\$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$1.75  
to \$4; cusk, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$1.50.

#### Rockport Fish Firm Has Branch at Newburyport.

The Merrimac Fish Company began  
business at Newburyport on Satur-  
day in the building at the head of  
Central wharf. Men from Rockport  
have acquired the plant and the split-  
ting of fish was proceeding at a fast  
clip Friday. Seven men were employ-  
ed in handling the fish, which were  
being salted preparatory to shipment.  
It is expected that the business will  
last a month or more and following  
the summer season will be resumed in  
the fall.

The concern started with 19,000  
pounds of pollock, purchased of "Tay-  
lor" Short, which were brought in on  
the Alice Friday.